

## Making Progress

For the past several years, state agencies, community programs and policy makers have come together at this powerful event to discuss meaningful ways that Connecticut can shift the focus of childhood sexual abuse prevention efforts from children to adults.

Led by the Children's Trust Fund, a coalition of 24 state agencies and others have spearheaded these prevention efforts. The coalition has completed a multitude of initiatives to stimulate discussion and advance state childhood sexual abuse prevention efforts. Among them:

- Two comprehensive reports on both victims and perpetrators of childhood sexual abuse in Connecticut.
- Multiple presentations on national research and findings.
- A request for proposal, resulting in a \$100,000 multi-year grant to East Hartford ChildPlan, Inc. The goal of the grant is to support the design and integration of a community-based childhood sexual abuse prevention strategy that focuses on adults within the community.
- A press event that garnered the attention of state media and legislators.
- Ongoing support to Connecticut communities on how to shift the childhood sexual abuse prevention focus.

## 3rd Annual Childhood Sexual Abuse Prevention Forum

Learn how to make community-based, adult-focused childhood sexual abuse prevention a fundamental practice in all Connecticut communities

**September 23, 2005**

**9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. \***

**Community Renewal Team  
555 Windsor Street  
Hartford, CT 06120**

### Morning Session:

- **Virginia Liberman**, HERO Project Director

#### "Be A Hero. Step In. Stop Abuse"

The Hero project targets adult protectors, such as parents, relatives, neighbors, friends and teachers, to protect children from abuse. The project's mission is to reduce the incidence of child sexual abuse by educating adult protectors about child sexual abuse and encouraging them to report whenever they suspect a child is being abused.

- Following Ms. Liberman's address, a presentation will be made on local efforts that are shifting the responsibility of preventing childhood sexual abuse off of children and onto adults.

### Afternoon Session:

- **Making it Work in Your Community**

Following lunch, a facilitated conversation will be conducted on how your community can define resources and move ideas into practice. Please urge those within your community who should be a part of this important prevention planning conversation to attend the forum.

*\* Breakfast and lunch will be provided*

## I Want to be Part of the Solution!

Please complete the registration form below and return by September 9, 2005 along with your \$20 check made payable to:

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450 Capitol Avenue, 4th Floor  
Hartford, CT 06106**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Register Today. Space is Limited!**



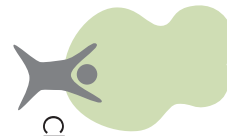
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